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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The Hennepin Canal Parkway is a 104.5 mile long State park which spans across Bureau, Henry, Lee, Rock Island, and Whiteside counties; the canal is also a major part of the 475-mile long Grand Illinois Trail and part of the American Discovery Trail that goes from coast to coast; it is also listed on the National Register of Historic Places; and

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WHEREAS, The first boat made its way down the Hennepin Canal from the Illinois River to the Mississippi River in November 1907; and

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WHEREAS, A hundred years after its inception, the Hennepin Canal State Park continues to offer fishing, hiking, biking, boating, horseback riding, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, and other recreational opportunities; and

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WHEREAS, On October 7, 2007, the Friends of the Hennepin Canal will host a public celebration of the canal in honor of its historical and civic significance; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we honor the significance of the Hennepin Canal and value its importance to the State of Illinois; and be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to Friends of the Hennepin Canal president Gary Wagle
3 as a symbol of our respect for this important landmark.